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ac [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given ac (ante cibum), it is given before meals. (o leku) podawany przed jedzeniem administer [V-T-U4] To administer a medicine is to give a medicine to a patient. podawać, zaaplikować (lek) adult brief [N-COUNT-U10] An adult brief or diaper is a disposalbe piece of absorbent material fastened with tabs. It is used by

both male and female seniors to manage incontinence. pieluchomajtki dla dorosłych

airway [N-COUNT-U9] An airway is a passage through which air enters and reaches one's lungs, i.e. nose, mouth, etc. drogi oddechowe alternating pressure mattress [N-COUNT-U15] An alternating pressure mattress is a mattress that helps prevent sores by keeping pressure off of certain areas of the body. materac przeciwodleżynowy

antibiotic [N-COUNT-U3] An antibiotic is a drug that kills harmful bacteria in the body and fights infection. antybiotyk antidepressant [N-COUNT-U3] An antidepressant is a drug that lifts a person's mood. lek, środek przeciwdepresyjny antihistamine [N-COUNT-U3] An antihistamine is a drug that combats symptoms of allergic reactions. antyhistamina anti-inflammatory [N-COUNT-U3] An anti-inflammatory is a drug that reduces redness and swelling. lek, środek przeciwzapalny assess [V-T-U8] To assess a situation is to evaluate it and potentially decide on an appropriate course of action. tu: oceniać sytuację bandage [N-COUNT-U8] A bandage is a strip of material used to protect an injury. bandaż

bathroom [N-COUNT-U10] A bathroom is a room containing a bathtub or shower, as well as a toilet and sink. łazienka

bedpan [N-COUNT-U10] A **bedpan** is a shallow bowl made of metal or plastic used to collect the urinary or fecal waste of bed-confined persons. basen dla chorego (umożliwia wypróżnianie i oddawanie moczu bez opuszczania łóżka)

BID [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given BID (bis in die), it is given twice per day. (o leku) podawany dwa razy dziennie

biohazard waste container [N-COUNT-U15] A biohazard waste container is a special container that stores biological substances, such as body parts, blood, etc. pojemnik na odpady medyczne

bladder control [N-UNCOUNT-U10] **Bladder control** is the ability to allow or prevent urinary discharges. kontrola nad pęcherzem moczowym

bleed [V-I-U8] To bleed is to lose blood from a wound. krwawić

bone [N-COUNT-U13] A bone is a hard organ that forms the skeleton of a vertebrate. kość

bottle [N-COUNT-U2] A bottle is a glass or plastic container, often with a narrow top that holds liquids. butelka

bowel movement [N-COUNT-U10] A bowel movement is the discharge of waste matter from the bowels. wypróżnianie

broken [ADJ-U13] When a bone is broken, it is no longer in one piece. (o kości) złamana

bruise [N-COUNT-U13] A bruise is the black or blue discoloration of the skin after an injury. siniak

burn [N-COUNT-U8] A **burn** is a physical injury that can be caused by extreme heat, cold, electricity, or dangerous chemicals. oparzenie

B-vitamins [N-PLURAL-U1] **B-vitamins** are a group of vitamins that have a range of health benefits, including the promotion of skin and muscle health as well as proper immune system function. witaminy z grupy B

by mouth (P.O.) [ADV-U4] If medicine is given by mouth (P.O.), it is taken orally, or through the mouth. (o leku) podawany doustnie

Calcium [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Calcium is a white chemical element that helps form teeth and bones. wapń

cane [N-COUNT-U11] A cane is a long stick used as support while walking. laska do podpierania się podczas chodzenia

capsule [N-COUNT-U2] A capsule is a very small tube, filled with medicine that you swallow whole. kapsulka

carbohydrate [N-COUNT-U1] A carbohydrate is a nutrient that provides energy for living things. weglowodan

cellulitis [N-UNCOUNT-U14] Cellulitis is the inflammation of connective tissue or skin that occurs in places where the skin has previously been broken. Cellulitis is most common in skin on the face or lower legs. cellulitis (zapalenie tkanki łącznej)

chest compression [N-COUNT-U9] A **chest compression** is the application of rhythmic pressure to the chest in order to artificially simulate the pulsing of the heart. uciskanie klatki piersiowej

childproof [ADJ-U2] If an object is **childproof**, it is designed to stop children from opening, using, or breaking it. zabezpieczony przed dziećmi

clear [V-T-U12] To clear an area of hazards is to remove obstructions. tu: usunąć niebezpieczne przedmioty z danego obszaru climb [V-T-U11] To climb stairs is to ascend or go upwards. tu: wchodzić po schodach

clutter [N-UNCOUNT-U12] Clutter is unnecessary things lying in one place. nieład, bałagan

complicate [V-T-U7] To complicate something is to make it more difficult. komplikować, utrudniać

contributing factor [PHRASE-U1] A **contributing factor** is one of several things that causes a situation or event to happen. czynnik przyczyniający się do czegoś

cover [V-T-U8] To cover something is to put one thing over another, with the goal of closing, hiding or protecting it. przykryć, zakryć

CPR [ABBREV-U9] **CPR** (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) is the procedure to revive someone through chest compressions and artificial respiration. resuscytacja krążeniowo-oddechowa

crack [V-T-U9] To crack a rib or other part of the body is to hurt it by hitting or pressing it hard. (o kości) pęknąć, złamać

cubic centimeter (cc) [N-COUNT-U5] A **cubic centimeter (cc)** is a unit of volume equal to a cube whose sides are equal to one centimeter. centymetr sześcienny

cut [N-COUNT-U13] A cut is a narrow, open wound in the skin made by something sharp. skaleczenie, rozcięcie

debridement [N-UNCOUNT-U14] **Debridement** is a procedure whereby dead tissue is surgically removed from wound. opracowanie chirurgiczne rany

desiccation [N-UNCOUNT-U14] **Desiccation** is a condition wherein tissue becomes excessively dry, frequently leading to cracking. wysuszenie tkanek

dignity [N-UNCOUNT-U10] Dignity refers to the state of being worthy of respect. godność

disoriented [ADJ-U7] If a person is disoriented, they are confused and/or have lost their sense of direction. zdezorientowany

dispose [V-T-U2] To **dispose** of something is to get rid of an item that is no longer wanted or required. pozbyć się, wyrzucić (rzecz, która już nie jest potrzebna)

dizziness [N-UNCOUNT-U7] Dizziness is a feeling of unsteadiness or a feeling that one is about to fall combined with a sensation of movement within the head. zawroty głowy

dosage [N-COUNT-U4] A dosage is the correct amount of medicine to give to a person at one time. dawka, doza, dawkowanie leku

dose [N-COUNT-U3] A dose is a specific amount of a medicine. dawka leku

dress [V-I-U14] To dress a wound is to apply medication or a bandage to it. tu: opatrywać ranę

driving [N-UNCOUNT-U7] Driving is the act of guiding and controlling a car. prowadzenie samochodu

drop (gtt) [N-COUNT-U5] A **drop (gtt)** is a unit of liquid volume equal to the amount of liquid which comes from a dropper, or about 1/12th of a milliliter. kropla

drowsy [ADJ-U7] If a person is drowsy, it means that he or she is tired or sleepy. senny, śpiący, ospały

drug interaction [N-COUNT-U7] A drug interaction is a desirable or undesirable reaction that a medication has over another medication when they are taken together. interakcja farmakologiczna, interakcja leków

elevate [V-T-U8] To elevate something is to lift it to a higher, physical position. podnieść coś wyżej

eschar [N-COUNT-U14] An eschar is a piece of dead tissue that has fallen from the surface of the skin, caused by a burn, bite, etc.

expiration date [N-COUNT-U2] An expiration date is a date printed on packaging after which time an item should no longer be used, will not work effectively, or is not safe to consume. data ważności

expire [V-I-U2] If medication expires, it means that its shelf life or consumption period is over and it must be discarded. (o leku) tracić ważność

exudate [N-COUNT-U14] An exudate is a fluid that has oozed out of blood cells and flowed into tissue as a result of inflammation. wysięk

faint [V-I-U8] To faint is to suddenly become unconscious for a brief period of time. zemdleć

fall [V-I-U12] To fall is to move downwards without control, usually by losing one's balance. upaść, przewrócić się

fatal [ADJ-U7] If something is fatal, it means it will cause death. śmiertelny

fat [N-COUNT-U1] Fat is a compound that is useful for skin and hair health, as well as for maintaining the correct body temperature. However, an excess intake of fats leads to obesity and health problems that come with it. tłuszcz

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first aid [N-UNCOUNT-U8] **First aid** is basic medical care given to an injured person when other help is not available or necessary. pierwsza pomoc

fracture [N-COUNT-U13] A fracture is a crack or break in a bone. złamanie, pęknięcie (kości)

get around [PHRASAL V-U11] To get around is go from one place to another. przemieszczać się

glove [N-COUNT-U15] A glove is a type of covering that you put over your hands in order to protect them. rekawiczka

gown [N-COUNT-U15] A gown is a special hospital garment that a patient wears. tu: fartuch szpitalny

gram (g) [N-COUNT-U5] A gram (g) is a unit of mass which is equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram and approximately to one cubic centimeter. gram

handrail [N-COUNT-U12] A handrail is a thin tube of metal fixed to a wall in order to offer people support. porecz, pochwyt

hazard [N-COUNT-U12] A hazard is a potential danger or threat. niebezpieczeństwo, ryzyko, zagrożenie

heal [V-I-U13] if a cut or wound heals, the skin grows back together. (o ranie) goić się

heat stroke [N-UNCOUNT-U13] Heat stroke is the condition when someone experiences fever and unconsciousness caused by prolonged exposure to high temperatures. udar cieplny

high fructose corn syrup [N-COUNT-U1] High fructose corn syrup is a modified corn syrup that is used as a sugar substitute. High fructose corn syrup is found in most processed foods and drinks. syrop kukurydziany o wysokiej zawartości fruktozy

hypothermia [N-UNCOUNT-U13] **Hypothermia** is a low body temperature, typically due to exposure to a cold environment. hipotermia (stan obniżonej temperatury ciała, zwykle na skutek działania niskiej temperatury otoczenia)

immobilize [V-T-U8] To immobilize someone is to prevent him/her from being able to move. unieruchomić

inability [N-UNCOUNT-U10] Inability is the incapacity to complete a task or function. niezdolność, niemożność (np. wykonania czegoś)

incontinence [N-UNCOUNT-U10] Incontinence is the inability to control urination or defecation. nietrzymanie moczu lub kału

incontinence underwear [N-UNCOUNT-U10] Incontinence underwear is an easy on-easy off underwear with an elastic waistband offering light incontinence protection. bielizna dla osób z problemami w trzymaniu moczu lub kału

inflammation [N-UNCOUNT-U14] **Inflammation** is a response of tissue to a harmful substance such as pathogens, irritants, or infection. It causes redness or swelling to a particular part of the body. zapalenie, stan zapalny

inhibit [V-T-U7] To inhibit something is to prevent it or slow its effects. hamować, spowalniać

injury [N-COUNT-U12] An injury is a physical damage to one's body. uraz, kontuzja

intramuscular injection (IM) [N-COUNT-U4] An intramuscular injection (IM) is a medicine that is injected into a muscle with a syringe. zastrzyk domięśniowy, iniekcja domięśniowa

junk food [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Junk food is unhealthy food that has high levels of fat, salt or sugar. niezdrowe, śmieciowe jedzenie

laceration [N-COUNT-U8] A laceration is a deep cut caused by a hard impact to soft body tissue. poszarpanie, pokaleczenie

latex [ADJ-U15] If something is latex, it is made from a thick, white liquid produced by plants such as the rubber tree. It can be used to make products such as gloves, rubber and glue. lateksowy

laxative [N-COUNT-U3] A laxative is a drug that helps ease bowel movements. środek przeczyszczający

lightheaded [ADJ-U7] If a person is lightheaded, he or she is experiencing dizziness. odczuwający zawroty głowy

lighting [N-UNCOUNT-U12] Lighting is the quality of light in a given area or room or the way it is lit. oświetlenie

limit [V-T-U11] To limit an activity is to reduce a number of things regarding this activity or to prevent it from occurring. limitować, ograniczać

lung [N-COUNT-U9] A lung is the basic respiration organ inside the chest which is filled with air when you breathe in. płuco

maceration [N-UNCOUNT-U14] Maceration is a condition whereby tissue becomes soft and pale from being constantly wet.

maceracja (uszkodzenie powierzchownych warstw skóry z powodu nadmiernego kontaktu z wilgocią)

malnutrition [N-UNCOUNT-U1] **Malnutrition** is a medical condition where someone grows weak or ill due to not eating enough food, or good quality food. niedożywienie

mask [N-COUNT-U15] A mask is something that you wear over a portion or all of your face in order to protect it, or to help create a sterile environment. maska, maseczka

medication log [N-COUNT-U2] A medication log is a record of the medicines that someone takes, along with dosages and all information relevant to the medication. karta zleceń lekarskich, dziennik leków

microgram (mcg) [N-COUNT-U5] A microgram (mcg) is a unit of mass equal to one millionth of a gram. mikrogram

milliequivalent (mEq) [N-COUNT-U5] A milliequivalent (mEq) is 1/1000th the weight of the minor component of a chemical solution dissolved in the major component . miligramorównoważnik

milligram (mg) [N-COUNT-U5] A milligram (mg) is a unit of mass equal to one thousandth of a gram. milligram

milliliter (ml) [N-COUNT-U5] A milliliter (ml) is a unit of liquid volume equal to one thousandth of a liter and equal to one cubic centimeter. millilitr

mobility [N-UNCOUNT-U11] Mobility is the ability to get around and move effectively. zdolność poruszania się

necrosis [N-UNCOUNT-U14] **Necrosis** is a condition wherein the cells in a living organism's tissue are dying. martwica (zmiany zachodzące po śmierci komórki w organizmie)

nonslip [ADJ-U12] When a surface is **nonslip**, it is designed to reduce the chances of slipping. (o powierzchni) przeciwpoślizgowa, nieślizgająca się

obesity [N-UNCOUNT-U1] **Obesity** is a medical condition in which excess body fat leads to health problems and a decreased life expectancy. nadwaga

obstruction [N-COUNT-U9] An obstruction is something blocking a passage in one's body. niedrożność, zatkanie

omega-3 [N-COUNT-U1] Omega-3 is a fatty acid found in fish oil, soybeans, etc. that promotes brain health and helps prevent cancer and cardiovascular disease. kwas tłuszczowy omega-3

oral administration [N-UNCOUNT-U4] **Oral administration** is a route of administration, where medicine is taken through the mouth. podanie doustne leku

organizer [N-COUNT-U2] An organizer is a book or device that helps you organize information or tasks. organizer

ounce (oz) [N-COUNT-U5] An ounce (oz) is a unit of weight equal to 1/16th of a pound. uncja (28 gramów)

overdose [N-UNCOUNT-U7] **Overdose** is an excessive quantity of a drug taken at one time, possibly resulting in a toxic state or death. przedawkowanie (leku)

oxygen tank [N-COUNT-U15] An oxygen tank is a container that holds pure oxygen. butla tlenowa

painkiller [N-COUNT-U3] A painkiller is a drug that reduces physical pain. środek, lek przeciwbólowy

path [N-COUNT-U12] A path is the space ahead of someone for him or her to walk along. ścieżka, droga

pc [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given pc (post cibum), it is given after meals. (o leku) podawany po posiłku

pet [N-COUNT-U12] A pet is a domesticated animal kept for companionship. zwierzę domowe

pill [N-COUNT-U2] A pill is a little piece of solid medication that you usually take with water. pigułka

pillbox [N-COUNT-U2] A **pillbox** is a small container that is used for storing or transporting pills. It has compartments marked with days or times, which allow you to organize medication. pudełko na pigułki

POLST [ABBREV-U9] The **POLST** (Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment) is generally a one-page medical order completed by a patient, dictating the type of specific medical interventions (CPR, tube feeding, blood transfusion, etc.) the patient would like to receive during a medical emergency. Individuals with a serious illness are usually the ones who have this form. polecenie medyczne, zwykle jednostronicowe, sporządzane przez pacjenta, które określa rodzaj medycznej interwencji dopuszczanej

polecenie medyczne, zwykie jednostronicowe, sporządzane przez pacjenta, ktore okresia rodzaj medycznej interwencji dopuszczanej i akceptowanej przez niego na wypadek konieczności udzielenia pomocy medycznej

polypharmacy [N-UNCOUNT-U7] **Polypharmacy** is the use of multiple medications for one or many conditions by one patient. polipragmazja (przyjmowanie kilku leków jednocześnie)

prescription [N-COUNT-U4] A **prescription** is a piece of paper, provided by a doctor, listing the type of medicine a pharmacist should give to a patient. recepta

pressure [N-UNCOUNT-U8] Pressure is the amount of force applied to a certain object. ucisk, nacisk

PRN [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given **PRN** (pro re nata), it is given as needed. (o leku) podawany w razie potrzeby, stosowanie do potrzeb

protein [N-COUNT-U1] Protein is a nutrient that contributes to tissue, bone, muscle, skin, and blood health. białko

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public transportation [N-UNCOUNT-U11] **Public transportation** is the system of buses and trains that can be publicly accessed and used. transport publiczny

pulse [N-COUNT-U9] A pulse is the rhythmic pounding of blood through the arteries. puls, tetno

puncture [V-T-U9] To puncture skin or a lung is to make a small hole in it. przebić, nakłuć

qh [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given qh (quaque hora), it is given every hour. (o leku) podawany co godzinę

qhs [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given **qhs** (quaque hora somni), it is given at every bedtime. (o leku) podawany przed pójściem spać

QID [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given QID (quater in die), it is given four times per day. (o leku) podawany cztery razy dziennie

QOD [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given **QOD** (or GAD for quaque altera die), it is given every other day. (o leku) podawany co drugi dzień

recuperate [V-I-U13] To recuperate is to recover after being sick or injured. odzyskiwać siły, wracać do zdrowia

refill [V-T-U2] To refill a prescription is to go to a pharmacist in order to get more doctor prescribed medication. tu: uzupełnić zapas leków

remove [V-T-U12] To remove an obstruction is to take it away. tu: usunąć przeszkodę

rescue breathing [N-UNCOUNT-U9] **Rescue breathing** is artificial respiration (mouth-to-mouth) administered during a medical crisis. sztuczne oddychanie

rib [N-COUNT-U9] A rib is each of the curved bones surrounding the chest and protecting its organs. żebro

risk [N-COUNT-U12] A risk is a potentially dangerous situation. ryzyko

roller [N-COUNT-U11] A **roller** is a frame with wheels that rolls on the floor and provides support while walking. chodzik z kółkami ułatwiający poruszanie się

route of administration [N-COUNT-U4] A **route of administration** is the path by which a medicine is taken into the body, for example, through the mouth. sposób podania leku (np. doustny)

sanitary napkin [N-COUNT-U10] A sanitary napkin (or pad) is a disposable piece of thick and soft material worn inside regular underwear and used by females for light or heavy bladder leakage. podpaska higieniczna

sedative [N-COUNT-U3] A sedative is a drug that puts a person to sleep or calms the person. środek uspokajający

sensitive [ADJ-U10] If a person is sensitive, they demonstrate tact and respect to the feelings, moods, and reactions of others. wrażliwy, czuły

sharps container [N-COUNT-U15] A **sharps container** is a container for particular medical waste. It stores sharp medical objects such as needles or syringes already used on patients. pojemnik na ostre odpady medyczne

shock [N-UNCOUNT-U8] **Shock** is a medical condition in which a person suddenly grows weak and cold after an accident or bad experience. During shock, the heart and lungs do not work properly. wstrząs, szok

shot [N-COUNT-U4] A shot is an injection of a drug into the body. wstrzyknięcie leku

shuttle service [N-COUNT-U11] A **shuttle service** is transportation which moves between locations of a short distance and on a regular schedule. transport wahadłowy

side effect [N-COUNT-U7] A side effect is an undesirable effect that a drug has on a patient in addition to its intended effect. efekt uboczny

slough [N-COUNT-U14] A slough is a mass of dead tissue. tkanka martwicza (oddzielająca się od zdrowej tkanki)

sprain [N-COUNT-U13] A **sprain** is an injury of a joint that causes swelling, pain but no dislocation. zwichnięcie (np. ręki); skręcenie (np. kostki)

stair [N-COUNT-U12] A stair is a raised platform in a series of steps leading from one floor to another. schodek, stopień

stairlift [N-COUNT-U11] A stairlift is an electronic apparatus which hooks on to the side of a stairwell and provides motorized transportation of an elderly or sick person upstairs or downstairs. winda schodowa

stat [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given stat (statim), it is given immediately. (o leku) podawany natychmiast

sternum [N-COUNT-U9] The **sternum** is a flat T-shaped bone located in the center of the chest. mostek (kość zlokalizowana w klatce piersiowej)

stimulant [N-COUNT-U3] A stimulant is a drug that makes someone become more active or alert. środek pobudzający

stumble [V-I-U12] To stumble is to lose one's balance and fall, or almost fall. potknać się

subcutaneous (SQ) [ADJ-U4] If a medicine is **subcutaneous (SQ)**, it is injected into the fatty layer under the skin with a syringe. podskórny (np. zastrzyk)

sublingual (SL) [ADJ-4] If a medicine is sublingual (SL), it is given beneath the tongue. (o leku) podjęzykowy

suppository [N-COUNT-U3] A suppository is a pill that is inserted into a person's rectum. It is used to administer medicine. czopek

suture [N-COUNT-U14] A suture is a stitch or fastener used to join the edges of a wound and promote healing. szew (chirurgiczny)

syringe [N-COUNT-U15] A syringe is a tube with a needle that is used to draw liquid out of or into something,

i.e. when taking blood from a patient's body. strzykawka

tablespoon (Tbsp) [N-COUNT-U5] A **tablespoon (Tbsp)** is a measure of volume equal to the amount a standard tablespoon can hold or about three teaspoons. hyżka (miara objętości)

tablet [N-COUNT-U4] A tablet is a little piece of medicine that you swallow. tabletka

teaspoon (tsp) [N-COUNT-U5] A **teaspoon (tsp)** is a measure of volume equal to the amount a standard teaspoon can hold, or almost five milliliters. lyżeczka (miara objętości)

TID [ABBREV-U6] If a medication is given TID (ter in die), it is given three times per day. (o leku) podawany trzy razy dziennie

timer [N-COUNT-U2] A **timer** is a small device that is set to get activated in a predetermined time and whose sound reminds the user to start or stop doing a task, i.e. take a pill. timer (urządzenie, które aktywuje się i wydaje dźwięk o określonej porze)

tissue [N-UNCOUNT-U14] Tissue is a grouping of similar cells with one particular function. Examples include skin or muscle. tkanka

topical [ADJ-U4] If a medicine is topical, it is applied to a certain part of the surface of the body. (o leku) podawany miejscowo

trip [V-I-U12] To trip is to hit one's foot against something while walking, thereby stumbling and falling. potknać się

tubing [N-UNCOUNT-U15] **Tubing** is a piece or system of long, narrow objects, shaped like pipes, which liquids and gases can travel through. rura, rurka, przewód

unable [ADJ-U11] If a person is unable, they are not capable of performing a particular task or function. niezdolny, nie będący w stanie (czegoś zrobić)

unaware [ADJ-U10] If a person is **unaware** of something, he/she has no knowledge of a situation. nieświadomy, niezdający sobie sprawy (np. z sytuacji)

vitamin A [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Vitamin A is a vitamin that contributes to eye health. witamina A

vitamin C [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Vitamin C is a vitamin that acts as an anti-oxidant and helps prevent heart disease. It promotes overall health. witamina C

vitamin D [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Vitamin D is a vitamin that contributes to bone health, helping to prevent osteoporosis. witamina D

walker [N-COUNT-U11] A walker is a device usually made of metal tubing that is used as support while walking. chodzik, balkonik

wheelchair [N-COUNT-U11] A wheelchair is a chair with wheels attached that helps a person with an illness or disability move from place to place. wózek inwalidzki

wound [N-COUNT-U14] A wound is an injury that usually involves the rupture of the skin or other tissue and results from something other than disease. rana

zinc [N-UNCOUNT-U1] Zinc is a metallic chemical element that contributes to brain and central nervous system health. cynk